

# **Abstract**

## **Criminological Aspects of Drug-Related Crime**

The thesis deals with the topic of criminological aspects of drug-related crime. Due to the breadth of the issue, the work is focused only on the so-called primary drug crime, which is understood as a criminal activity consisting in violating the regulations governing the handling of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances. Specifically, it deals with crime associated with the unauthorized handling of cannabis. The main goal of this work is to answer the question whether the criminal law regulation of unauthorized handling of cannabis chosen by the legislator is appropriate and respects in a reasonable way the specific criminological aspects related to cannabis.

The first part focuses on explaining some basic terms that are used in the work. The second part deals with the interpretation of terms that are specifically related to the issue of illicit handling of cannabis. Also it includes the issue of the harmfulness of cannabis use and describes the state and trends of crime associated with cannabis use.

The third part deals with the international treaties by which the Czech Republic is bound in terms of regulation of cannabis handling. For legislators, key international agreements are a starting point and at the same time a limit in the creation of legislation.

The fourth part is devoted to the applicable criminal law, in the form of an analysis of the individual facts that affect the unauthorized use of cannabis, and an analysis of relevant case law related to this issue. At the same time, there are discussed problem areas that make application difficulties in practice.

The final part is conceived in a case study, where several real cases were selected in terms of this issue, which were selected and analyzed in more detail. The work then concludes with a conclusion summarizing the main ideas of the work.